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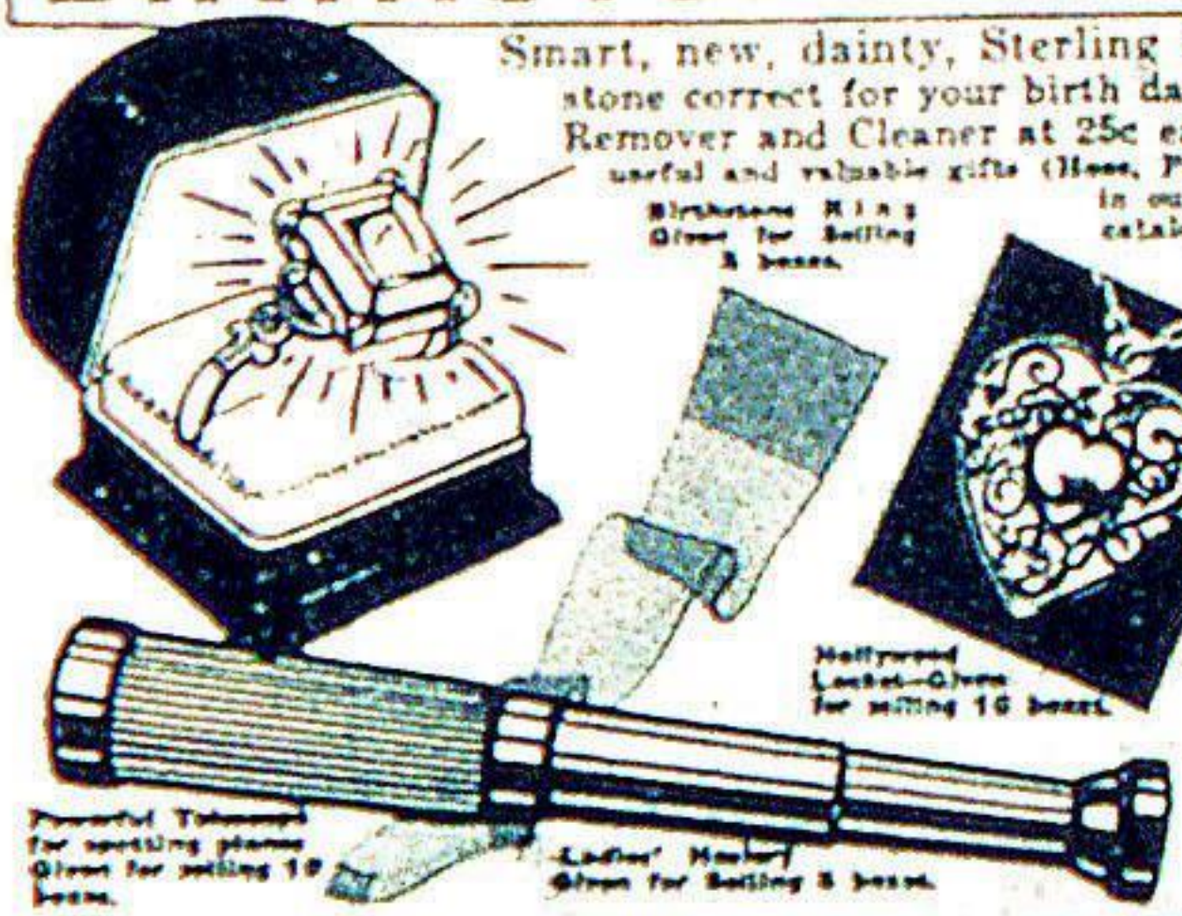

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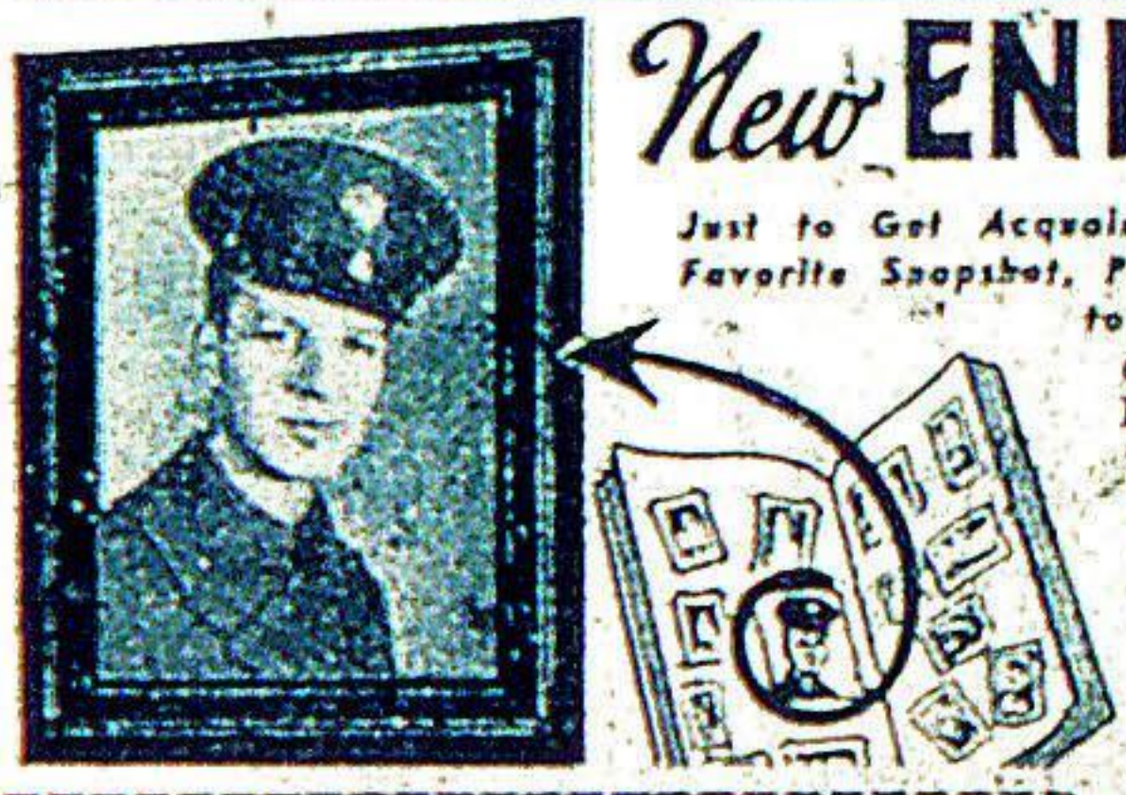

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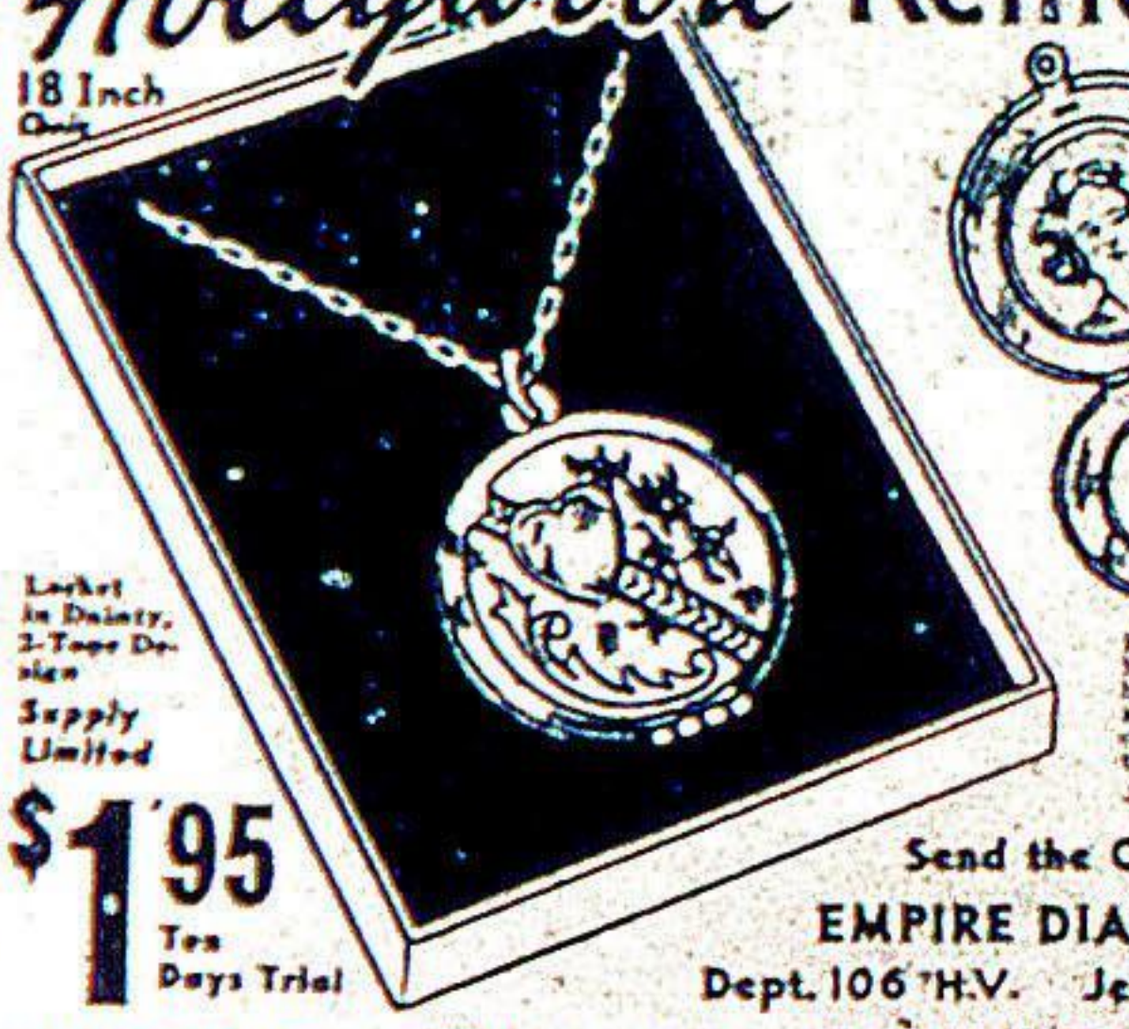

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THE ANGEL

"The CLUE of the BURNING ICE!"

KIMBERLY, SOUTH AFRICA! HOME OF THE WORLD'S RICHEST DIAMOND MINES!

ON THE DOUBLE, MEN! THAT'S THE ROBBERY ALARM!

IT'S THE MANAGER'S OFFICE!

WHRRR RRRRRR

KOHINOOR MINES LIMITED

IT--WAS-- THE--MANAGER! HE--STABBED-- ME--WHEN--I-- SURPRISED-- HIM--

BLIMME! HE'S ESCAPED WITH THE QUARTERLY SHIPMENT OF STONES!

A TRAIL OF DEATH LEADS HALFWAY AROUND THE GLOBE, INSPIRED BY MAN'S EVER-PRESENT GREED FOR THE GLITTERING, FABULOUS BAUBLE CALLED DIAMOND!---

--- AND ON THIS TRAIL, AS ALWAYS, IN HIS CRUSADE AGAINST CRIME, FLASHES THE NEMESIS OF EVIL-DOERS,

"THE ANGEL!"

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SOMETIME LATER, THE ETHER CRACKLES WITH THE NEWS OF THE SENSATIONAL ROBBERY, AND AUTHORITIES OF FOUR CONTINENTS SPREAD A NET FOR THE MURDERING MINE MANAGER!

SURVEY HAS DIVULGED MISSING STONES AMOUNT TO OVER A MILLION POUNDS! WATCH ALL PORTS! MISSING MAN THOUGHT TO BE ABOARD SOME SHIP ON THE HIGH SEAS!

DAKAR, FRENCH WEST AFRICA, SEVERAL DAYS LATER ---

DEAD?? IT'S PERKINS, ONE OF THE PASSENGERS!

NON! IT EES NOT SO! HE IS MONSIEUR BLANC OF ZE FRENCH CUSTOMS!

THE MINE MANAGER HAS AGAIN ELUDED CAPTURE! THIS TIME BY KILLING AND THEN CHANGING CLOTHES WITH A FRENCH CUSTOMS OFFICER, WHO WAS SEARCHING THE SHIP! IT IS BELIEVED THAT HE IS HEADED FOR ENGLAND!

LIVERPOOL, ENGLAND! THE ANGEL, SAILING FOR HOME AFTER COMPLETING A MISSION FOR THE U.S. GOVERNMENT, MEETS FRESH ADVENTURE!

FOR A WHILE, I THOUGHT YOU MIGHT BE WORKING ON THAT DIAMOND CASE!

NO! I'M NOT NEEDED! SCOTLAND YARD'LL HAVE THAT KILLER SOONER OR LATER! **LOOK! THAT SAILOR ON THE NEXT SHIP!**

WITHOUT HESITATION AND FULLY CLOTHED, THE ANGEL DIVES AFTER THE SAILOR KNOCKED OVERBOARD BY THE SWINGING CARGO HOOK!

'ERE, MATEY! HI'LL HELP YER! GET A DOCTOR, SOMEONE!

BAD ACCIDENT, THAT! I'LL HAVE THE SKIN OFF THAT CRANE OPERATOR!

ACCIDENT? I WONDER!

FIGHTING FAST-APPROACHING DEATH, THE RESCUED SAILOR MANAGES TO WHISPER A FEW MYSTERIOUS WORDS!

YES! YES! GO ON! WHAT ABOUT SCOTLAND YARD?

AH-H--! TELL INS--SPECTOR--BLAKE--DIAMONDS--A-H-H--ICE! --AH-H-H!

Later, INSPECTOR BLAKE'S OFFICE AT SCOTLAND YARD---

FOR THE LIFE OF ME I CAN'T FIGURE WHAT HE TRIED TO CONVEY WITH THE WORD ICE!

HMM? DIAMONDS? ICE? UNLESS HE WAS USING OUR AMERICAN SLANG! ICE, YOU KNOW, IN THAT SENSE, MEANS DIAMONDS! INCIDENTALLY, WHAT WAS HE DOING ON THAT FREIGHTER?

WORKING ON THE DIAMOND CASE! ASKED TO HAVE IT ARRANGED FOR HIM TO SHIP AS A SAILOR! ALMOST HALF OF THE DIAMONDS BY NOW HAVE BEEN SUCCESSFULLY SMUGGLED INTO THE STATES! THOUGHT HE COULD LEARN HOW IT WAS DONE!

PROBABLY DID, TOO! THAT WAS WHY HE WAS REMOVED!

I NEED NOT TELL YOU HOW GRATIFYING IT IS TO HAVE YOU COME IN ON THE CASE WITH US! I'LL ARRANGE FOR A BERTH ABOARD THE SHIP AT ONCE!

DON'T FORGET THE SAILOR OUTFIT! THESE CLOTHES WILL HARDLY DO!

SEVERAL NIGHTS OUT--ABOARD THE MYSTERIOUS FREIGHTER---

I'VE BEEN WATCHIN' HIM -- HE'S NO SAILOR!

YOU'RE RIGHT! **HE'S THE ANGEL!** I RECOGNIZED HIM WHEN HE RESCUED THE MAN FROM THE "YARD!"

ANGEL, EH? THIS KNIFE'LL MAKE SURE HE SPROUTS WINGS!

NO! WAIT! BETTER TELL THE CHIEF FIRST!

THERE THEY GO! I'LL HAVE TO FIND SOME WAY OF KEEPING THEM IN SIGHT!

SO! COOKEY IS IN ON THIS, TOO! AND JUDGING FROM THE RESPECTFUL WAY THEY'RE LISTENING, HE MUST BE THE BIG CHEESE!

AH! SOMEONE SPYING! I'LL SOON FIX THAT!

THE ALERT EARS OF THE ANGEL DETECT THE SCRAPE OF FEET AND WHIRLS IN TIME TO NARROWLY AVOID THE ATTACK!

WHEW! CLOSE! TOO CLOSE!

IT'S THE ANGEL! COME ON!

YIII!

HAVEN'T A THING ON THESE RATS AS YET! WON'T ACCOMPLISH ANYTHING BY TURNING THEM IN AT THIS STAGE!

WITH A DESPERATE PLAN FORMULATED INSTANTANEOUSLY, THE ANGEL TURNS AND RACES AWAY---

I'LL FAKE ANOTHER SHINDIG NEAR THE RAIL! HOPE THEY TAKE THE BAIT!

AFTER REACHING THE RAIL, THE ANGEL TURNS AND AGAIN ATTACKS HIS PURSUERS! BUT AFTER A BRIEF TUSSLE---

HA-HA! LIFTED HIM CLEAN OVER-BOARD WITH THAT LAST WALLOP!

THAT'S THE END OF THE ANGEL!

WITH LUNGS GASPING AND POWERFUL ARMS FIGHTING THE TERRIFIC WASH, THE ANGEL STRIKES OUT UNDER WATER AND BREAKS THE SURFACE NEAR THE STERN OF THE MOVING SHIP!

>GULP< UH! IT'S A LONG CHANCE, BUT I MUST TAKE IT IF I WANT TO GET THE DOPE ON THOSE DIA-MONDS! HOPE I WAS RIGHT ABOUT THAT TRAILING ROPE ON THE STERN!

AS THE GREAT HULK OF THE SHIP RACES BY, THE ANGEL, WITH EYES SEARCHING THE BLACK NIGHT, SURGES UP IN A LEAP WITH EAGER HANDS CLAWING AT A ROPE TRAILING THE STERN OF THE SHIP!

THERE IT IS!

MOMENTS LATER, AN EX-HAUSTED, DRIPPING FIGURE CLAMBERS OVER ABOARD!

>PANT-PANT< BREAK FOR ME NO ONE'S AROUND! GUESS THEY FIGURE ME SAFE IN DAVY JONES' ARMS! GOTTA FIND ME A HIDING PLACE WHERE I CAN KEEP AN EYE ON COOKEY!

DAYS LATER, AS THE SHIP NEARS PORT, THE ANGEL SAFELY HIDDEN IN THE GALLEY STOREROOM, BURROWS OUT OF HIS HIDING PLACE AS HE HEARS VOICES WHISPERING IN THE ADJOINING GALLEY!

BETTER RIG UP THE ICE CREAM, CHIEF! WE'LL DOCK IN A FEW MINUTES!

RIG UP? ICE CREAM? BOXES?

RIGHT! YOU SEE THAT MOST OF THE CREW GOES DOWN THE GANGPLANK CARRYING THE BOXES! WE CAN'T TAKE ANY CHANCES!

AND THE USUAL **EXTRA** PORTION FOR YOU, CAPTAIN!

EXTRA PORTION, EH? SO THE CAPTAIN IS IN ON THIS ALSO?

THANKS!

NOT BAD! SLICK, IF ANYTHING! DIAMONDS HIDDEN IN ICE CREAM! THAT'S WHAT THAT POOR GUY TRIED TO TELL ME BEFORE HE DIED!

SOMETHING TELLS ME THE CREW'LL HAVE TO DO WITHOUT THEIR ICE CREAM!

=GULP= L-O-O-K! A G-H-O-S-T--??

THE ANGEL! --AND ALIVE!

U.S. CUSTOM

WE BETTER STOW THEM, CHIEF! WE CAN'T TAKE THEM ASHORE!

MAYBE THE ANGEL KNOWS!

SHUT UP, YOU SNIVELING FOOLS! HOW COULD HE KNOW! WE GOT THEM BY THE CUSTOMS BEFORE AND WE'LL HAVE TO CHANCE IT AGAIN! TOO LATE TO CHANGE OUR PLANS!

CAN'T STOP TO EXPLAIN! COME ON! IT'S THOSE MEN COMING DOWN WITH THOSE SMALL BOXES UNDER THEIR ARMS! HURRY!

LET'S GO, MEN!

THIS IS AN OUTRAGE! HOW DARE HE ACCUSE ME OF SMUGGLING DIAMONDS!

SORRY! THIS IS TO SATISFY THE ANGEL!

YOU KNEW ABOUT THE ICE CREAM AND EXAMINED IT ON THE OTHER TRIPS!

YES, ANGEL! NEVER FOUND A THING! THE CREW ALWAYS TAKES HOME SOME OF THE ICE CREAM! COOK HERE HAS A SECRET RECIPE!

I DIDN'T FORGET YOURS, CHIEF!

WITH MY COMPLIMENTS!

IF YOU LIKE, ANGEL! I'LL HAVE MY MEN EXAMINE THE REST!

NO THANKS! I'LL JUST EXAMINE THE MATE'S FOR MYSELF!

YOU WOULDN'T BE AFRAID THAT I MAY FIND SOMETHING, WOULD YOU?

OF COURSE NOT! HA-HA! HE SIMPLY DOESN'T WANT HIS ICE RUINED! GIVE HIM THE BOX!

SUDDENLY THE GROPING FINGERS OF THE ANGEL WHIP OUT OF THE BOX, CLUTCHING AN OBLONG PIECE OF CARBON DIOXIDE, BETTER KNOWN AS "DRY ICE!"

WITH A HOWL OF PAIN, THE ANGEL DROPS THE SMOKING CHUNK!

OW! THAT DRY ICE BURNS LIKE FIRE!

YOU BOYS ARE TOO ANXIOUS TO RETRIEVE IT! WITH BARE HANDS, TOO! TSK! TSK! AND AFTER SEEING WHAT HAPPENED WHEN I TOUCHED IT!

YOW! MY FINGERS!

DOWN COMES THE FULL WEIGHT OF THE ANGEL'S FOOT TO CRUSH THE SMOKING OF DRY ICE TO FRAGMENTS--- WITH ASTOUNDING RESULTS!

THE ANGEL FOUND US OUT! SHOOT YOUR WAY PAST THE GUARDS!

CURSE YOUR MEDDLING HIDE, ANGEL! YOU'LL NEVER LIVE TO ENJOY YOUR VICTORY!

WANNA BET?

AND WHILE THE CUSTOMS GUARDS SUB-DUE HIS CO-CONSPIRATORS, THE SHIP'S COOK LOCKS IN BATTLE WITH THE ANGEL!

OVERSHOT MY MARK! **OW!**

THIS'LL SCRAMBLE YOUR BRAINS!

THEN, AS THE COOK AIMS AT THE STUNNED FIGURE OF THE ANGEL---

THOUGHT THAT KICK K.O.'D ME, EH? YOU SHOULD LEARN MORE ABOUT AN AMERICAN ANIMAL CALLED THE POSSUM! **HEY! THAT'S A WIG HE'S WEARING!**

AND THE EYE-PATCH, TOO, IS A PHONEY! I HAVE A HUNCH YOU'RE NOT WHAT YOU'RE COOKED UP TO BE, COOKEY!

I RECOGNIZE HIM FROM THE CIRCULARS SCOTLAND YARD SENT US! **HE'S THE MINE MANAGER!**

OKAY, BOYS! TAKE HIM AWAY! (SIGH) TOO BAD WE CAN'T GIVE HIM A TASTE OF OUR VERY EFFICIENT "HOT SEAT"! BUT--ENGLAND HAS FIRST CRACK AT HIM FOR MURDER!

THE ANGEL IN

THE BRIDE WHO MARRIED DEATH!

TRAGEDY STRIKES AT A GAY WEDDING PARTY! DEATH IS IN DISGUISE--A BRIDE, A GROOM, A RING AND A GYPSY FORTUNE TELLER ARE ALL INVOLVED--- AND TO UNRAVEL THIS MYSTERIOUS ENTANGLEMENT NON LESS THAN THE ANGEL!

AT A WEDDING CELEBRATION IN THE EXCLUSIVE CLUB, PATRONIZED BY GOTHAM SOCIETY FOLK!

OH, YES! OF COURSE WE WILL, SWEETHEART!

WELL, HERE'S TO YOU, KIT, DARLING! MAY YOU LIVE HAPPILY EVER AFTER!

THANKS, BIRDIE! WE WILL! ALWAYS.... WON'T WE, CHARLIE?

THAT'S A MIGHTY BEAUTIFUL RING, KIT!

ISN'T IT LOVELY! IT'S SO VALUABLE THAT I HESITATED TO WEAR IT TONIGHT, BUT CHARLIE INSISTED...

OH, I SAY! THERE'S WANDA, THE GYPSY FORTUNE TELLER! LET'S HAVE HER OVER! THEY SAY SHE'S WONDERFUL!

NO, CHARLIE, PLEASE! I...I'M ALLERGIC TO FORTUNE TELLERS.. I KNOW IT'S SILLY... BUT...

DON'T ACT LIKE A CHILD, KIT! OH.. WANDA!

WHILE AT THE NEXT TABLE, ANGEL SATISFIES A NATURAL CURIOSITY...

WAITER! WHO IS THE HAPPILY MARRIED COUPLE?

MR. AND MRS. CARSON! THEIR WEDDING MERGES TWO GREAT INDUSTRIES! THE RANGE MINING CO. OF WHICH MR. CARSON IS OWNER, AND UNITED METAL FROM WHICH HIS WIFE DRAWS HER GREAT WEALTH!

WELL! WHAT HAS THE FUTURE IN STORE FOR ME..? IS IT... OH... YOU HURT ME!

I SEE... UNHAPPINESS... ENDING IN DEATH..!

I DON'T BELIEVE IT! YOU'RE JUST A FAKER!

CATCH HER! SHE'S GOING TO FAINT!

MA FOI! I DID NOT DREAM THIS WOULD HAPPEN!

QUICK! GET A DOCTOR! SHE'S FAINTED!

NO---NO NEED TO--! SHE IS-- DEAD!

DEATH WAS INSTANTANEOUS! A HEART ATTACK BROUGHT ON BY SOME EXCITEMENT OR SHOCK!

HMMM?

AS THE BROKEN HEARTED HUSBAND'S LED AWAY---

I'LL CALL AN UNDERTAKER TO REMOVE THE BODY!

O.K., DOC!

SAY, THAT'S FUNNY! THERE'S ONLY ONE RING ON HER FINGER! I COULD SWEAR I SAW TWO! COULD IT POSSIBLY HAVE BEEN STOLEN?

MY IMAGINATION MUST BE PLAYING ME TRICKS! ONLY THREE OF US TOUCHED THE BODY! HER HUSBAND, THE DOCTOR AND MYSELF! AND HERE'S SOMETHING ELSE! A TINY RED MARK! I WONDER IF THIS **WAS** AN ACCIDENT?

AND THE GYPSY? BY GEORGE! **THAT'S IT!** SHE COULD HAVE STOLEN THE RING! IF I CAN CONNECT THE RED MARK, THE RING AND THE GYPSY, I'VE GOT A PATTERN! A PATTERN OF **MURDER!**

AND LATER--AFTER VAINLY TRYING TO SLEEP---

THE DOCTOR SAID IT WAS A HEART ATTACK! HE SHOULD KNOW! YET IT BOTHERS ME! THE MARK ON HER FINGER, THE SECOND RING I'M SURE SHE WAS WEARING- THERE'S SOME CONNECTION!

SOME MINUTES LATER.... AT CLUB 11--

QUIET! D'YOU WANT THE WHOLE WORLD TO KNOW?

YES! YES! YOU TRICKED ME INTO KILLING HER!

IT WAS MURDER!

I'M GOING TO THE POLICE! I'M NOT GOING TO TAKE YOUR RAP! I'LL TELL THEM EVERYTHING! EVERYTHING, YOU HEAR?

DO YOU THINK I'LL LET YOU? YOU'LL NEVER SEE THE POLICE!

I'D BETTER BUST UP THE PARTY BEFORE THERE'S ANOTHER MURDER!

LOCKED! I'LL HAVE TO SMASH IT!

DON'T! HONESTLY! I WON'T TALK! NO---! AGHHH!

DEAD! TOO LATE TO SAVE HER, BUT NOT TO CATCH HER MURDERER!

THERE HE IS! WHAT A SURPRISE HE'S IN FOR? THIS ALLEY RUNS INTO A DEAD END!

SO! YOU THOUGHT YOU HAD ME TRAPPED!

OHHHHH!

CRACK!

YOU MURDERING DOG!

UGHH!

PERHAPS THIS'LL DISCOURAGE YOU!

OOOOO!

THAT WAS CLOSE! I THOUGHT HE'D RIP MY WHOLE NECK OFF! LUCKILY HE DIDN'T SEE MY FACE!

A WHILE LATER---

WHAT A CRACK! SAY, WHAT'S THIS BLOOD! MUST BE THE KILLERS! I'LL GET BACK TO THE DRESSING ROOM! **MAYBE I** CAN FIND THAT RING!

I'M SURE THAT RING IS THE KEY TO THE MYSTERY! FIND THAT, AND I'LL FIND THE KILLER! THERE'S SOMETHING ABOUT IT--! I KNOW!

WANDA

HOTE

LEAVING THE CLUB, ANGEL RUSHES TO THE NEAREST TELEPHONE BOOTH!

I'M SURE THAT'S IT! NOW, IF THE MOTIVE ONLY TIES IN WITH THE METHOD-- HELLO? I'D LIKE TO MAKE A LONG DISTANCE CALL TO THE LOS ANGELES CHAMBER OF COMMERCE!

JUST A MOMENT, PLEASE!

THIS IS ANGEL CALLING! I'D LIKE A CHECK ON THE **RANGE MINING COMPANY!** I'D LIKE TO KNOW IF SUCH A FIRM EXISTS AND IF SO, THE NAME OF ITS OWNER!

HERE YOU ARE, SIR! SHALL I READ IT OFF?

SHOOT! OH, IT DOES EXIST! SEE--! AND HE DOES OWN IT!

WELL! THERE GOES MY CASE! OR DOES IT?

WAIT! WHAT IS ITS FINANCIAL STATUS? IS THE COMPANY SOLVENT? I SEE-- **THANK YOU!**

ANGEL MAKES ONE MORE CALL AND---

THAT TIES IN NICELY WITH MY THEORY! I'M PRETTY SURE WHO THE KILLER IS NOW! BUT NOW TO PROVE IT! IF THAT RING IS ONLY WHERE I THINK IT IS--!

DRUGS

HURRYING TO AN EXCLUSIVE EASTSIDE APARTMENT HOUSE---

APARTMENT 7-H! THAT WOULD BE THAT CORNER ONE ON THE SEVENTH FLOOR! THE CLIMB WON'T BE TOO DIFFICULT FOR THE ANGEL!

LET'S HOPE MY THEORY PROVES OUT! IF I'M WRONG, EVEN THE ANGEL WON'T BE ABLE TO LIVE **THIS** DOWN!

SLEEPING LIKE A BABY! HE'S EITHER INNOCENT, OR THE MOST COLD BLOODED CRIMINAL MURDERER I'VE EVER SEEN! LET'S SEE--! THERE'S HIS CLOTHES! I'LL TRY THEM FIRST!

BUT WARNED OF DANGER BY SOME SIXTH SENSE...

NOTHING HERE, OR...WHAT'S THIS? IT FEELS LIKE A RING!

ANGEL! I HADN'T COUNTED ON YOU

IT IS THE RING! I WAS RIGHT! WHA...?

NOW, YOU...? YOW!

WANT ME AS THIRD VICTIM FOR YOUR MURDER COLLECTION? HOW DOES THIS I FEEL?

YOU KNOW TOO MUCH, ANGEL! I'LL KILL YOU!

TOO BAD YOU'RE NOT MAN ENOUGH TO CARRY IT OUT!

YOUR PROWESS RUNS TO KILLING WOMEN! KNIFING THEM IN THE BACK AND POISONING YOUR WIFE!

HOW DID YOU KNOW? I PLANNED SO CAREFULLY!

THE RING! WHEN I MISSED IT AND FOUND THE RED MARK ON HER FINGER, I KNEW IT HAD CAUSED HER DEATH! I KNOW HOW..... NOW.... I THOUGHT THE GYPSY HAD STOLEN IT!

SO...?

HER DEATH PROVED SHE DIDN'T! I REMEMBER YOU BENDING OVER THE BODY! YOU STOLE IT! YOU KNEW YOU'D HANG IF ITS SECRET WAS DISCOVERED! AND THAT'S WHAT YOU'RE GOING TO DO!

NEVER! YOU'LL NEVER HANG ME! OOF!

IT WAS CLEVER! THE DIAMOND WAS SET IN A SPRING SO WHEN PRESSED DOWN, IT WOULD PUSH THE POISONED NEEDLE IN HER FINGER!

YOU CAN'T HANG ME FOR THAT! THE GYPSY DID THE DIRTY WORK!

YES, INNOCENTLY! AFTER YOU PAID HER TO READ YOUR WIFE'S HAND! NO! THEY CAN'T HANG YOU FOR THAT! BUT THEY **WILL!** THE PROOF OF THAT IS THE MARK I LEFT ON YOUR THROAT!

YOUR TALKING NONSENSE! **WHY** WOULD I KILL HER? **WHAT** IS THE MOTIVE?

THE MONEY YOU INHERITED FROM HER DEATH! YOUR BUSINESS WAS NEARLY BANKRUPT! YOU'D BEEN STEALING FROM YOUR STOCKHOLDERS! THE AUDITORS WERE COMING IN! YOU FACED DISGRACE, PRISON! **DIDN'T YOU?**

AND AS ANGEL CALLS THE POLICE--

STOP IT! STOP IT! I KILLED HER! AND THE GYPSY TOO!

YOU CAN SAY THAT AGAIN -- TO THE JUDGE! HELLO, CHIEF? SEND A SQUAD TO 1707 PARK TERRACE SOUTH! THERE'S A GUY HERE WHO WANTS TO TALK ABOUT MURDER! THAT'S RIGHT -- **MURDER!** SO LONG!

WHAT A SCHEME -- GEE! THE BOID WHO TRIPPED UP THIS GUY SURE EARNED HIS WINGS!

YOU'RE NOT KIDDIN'! HEY, CLANCY, **LOOK!** HE'S WEARING 'EM TOO!

THE END

TOMMY TYME

AND HIS WONDERFUL CLOCK of the AGES

MIGHTY IS THE FAME OF GHENGIS KHAN! BUT THE TRUE STORY OF HIS CAREER OF CONQUEST IS STILL UNKNOWN! BUT TOMMY TYME TELLS US WHAT HAPPENED WHEN HIS WONDERFUL CLOCK OF AGES TAKES HIM BACK THROUGH TIME TO **THE DAY OF THE GREAT KHAN.....**

A PRETTY NEW HISTORY TEACHER IS LECTURING TOMMY'S CLASS AND, FOR ONCE TOMMY IS ENJOYING SCHOOL

GOSH! SHE'S PURTY! I WISH SHE'D NOTICE ME!

THEN TOMMY GETS HIS WISH, BUT NOT QUITE AS HE EXPECTED . .

TOMMY TYME! TELL US WHY GHENGIS KHAN WAS NEVER RECOGNIZED AS EMPEROR OF CHINA!

OH, GOLLY! SHE'LL THINK I'M A DOPE IF I DON'T KNOW THE ANSWER!

QUICKLY TOMMY SETS HIS MIRACULOUS CLOCK OF AGES.

I'VE GOTTA GET **THIS** ANSWER! SO I'D BETTER TAKE A TRIP BACK TO GHENGIS KHAN!

BACK THROUGH THE CENTURIES TOMMY TRAVELS UNTIL--

YOU WILL NOT TELL THE GREAT KHAN WHAT HE NEEDS TO KNOW! THEN YOU WILL DIE!

I'M AN OLD MAN! SPARE ME!

WHY DON'T YOU TWO MUGS PICK ON A GUY YOUR OWN SIZE? OR DO I HAFTA GET TOUGH?

THIS STRANGE LITTLE ONE SEEMS ANXIOUS FOR A FIGHT! HO-HO!

I'LL BREAK YOU IN HALF WITH A SINGLE BLOW!

YOU TELE-GRAPHED DAT PUNCH!

DIS'LL BE A GOOD TRICK A COUPLE HUNDRED YEARS FROM NOW!

AY.AA!

YOU BIG GUY'S CAN'T TAKE IT DOWN STAIRS!

UGH!

YA STILL WANT TROUBLE? MY SLING SHOT WILL FIX YOU!

MY EYE! I'M BLINDED.

BEWILDERED, THE KHAN'S SOLDIERS FLEE . . .

YEOWWW

HE IS A DEVIL!

DAT TAKES CARE OF THOSE BULLIES! WHY WERE THEY BEATING YOU?

GHENGIS KHAN SEEKS--THE CROWN OF--CONFUCIUS ONLY THEN WILL HE--BE RECOGNIZED AS TRUE EMPEROR OF CHINA!

BUT THE CROWN IS BURIED IN THE SACRED TOMB----THE TYRANT GHENGIS KHAN WILL--NEVER--FIND--IT . . .

GOLLY! HE'S DEAD!

GHENGIS KHAN'S SOLDIERS BEAT HIM TO DEATH! I'VE GOT A HUNCH I'M NOT GONNA LIKE GHENGIS KHAN--NOT A BIT!

NIGHT

DAT OLD GUY MENTIONED THE SACRED TOMB! DE PEOPLE IN DE VILLAGE SAID DIS WAS IT!

LOOKS KINDA SPOOKY! MAYBE I BETTER NOT GO IN!

WE KNOW WHAT THE BOY LOOKS LIKE! HE WILL DIE FOR STRIKING A SOLDIER OF THE GREAT KHAN!

HOLY CROCKEYE! THEY'RE TALKING ABOUT ME! I'M A CANDIDATE FER A COFFIN!

I GOTTA FIND A PLACE TO HIDE! AND I AINT HALF AS SCARED OF MEETIN' A GHOST AS I AM OF BECOMIN' ONE!

DIS IS A GOOD PLACE TO HIDE! HEY! THE WALL IS MOVIN'!

LONG UNUSED STONE GEARS GRIND SLOWLY, AND TOMMY TYME EMERGES INTO A SECRET ROOM BEHIND THE WALL OF THE TOMB . . .

LOOK AT DEM SPARKLERS! DAT MUST BE DE CROWN DAT GHENGIS KHAN IS LOOKIN' FER! DE ONE DAT'LL MAKE HIM EMPEROR OF ALL CHINA!

SUDDENLY...

JEEPERS! IT'S DE KHANS GUNMEN!

SO! THERE IS THE BOY! LUCKY WE SAW THIS MOVING PLATFORM BEFORE IT STOPPED!

YOU AINT GOT ME YET!

I USED TO PLAY BLOCKIN' HALF ON DE SCHOOL FOOT-BALL TEAM!

BUT A GLANCING BLOW FROM A DEADLY MACE STOPS TOMMY'S HEROIC STRUGGLE . . .

HE WILL NOT BOTHER US AGAIN!

THE SACRED CROWN! GHENGIS KHAN WILL REWARD US WELL FOR THIS NIGHTS WORK!

NOT FAR AWAY, IN THE TEMPLE OF THE WORLD CONQUERER GHENGIS KHAN . . .

THIS MAN CRIED IN THE MARKET PLACE THAT YOU WERE NOT THE TRUE EMPEROR OF CHINA, O'MIGHTY KHAN!

SO! AND WHAT SAY YOU, NOW THAT YOU ABOUT TO DIE!

YOU ARE NOT THE EMPEROR! WHERE IS THE SACRED CROWN? NO MAN WILL CALL YOU EMPEROR WITHOUT IT!

TOMMY TYME IS THE NEXT PRISONER BROUGHT BEFORE KHAN . . .

ENOUGH! THROW HIM INTO THE BOTTOMLESS PIT!

NO! — — — NOT THAT! A-A-A-H!

I CANNOT HEAR HIM NOW!

YOU WILL NEVER HEAR HIM AGAIN! NO MAN HAS EVER SEEN THE BOTTOM OF THIS WELL!

THIS BOY IS AN ENEMY! WE CAUGHT HIM WITH THE SACRED CROWN!

THE CROWN! GIVE IT TO ME!

WITH THIS CROWN I WILL BE EMPEROR OF ALL CHINA! NO ONE WILL DARE DEFY MY POWER!

WHAT SHALL WE DO WITH THE BOY?

I CANNOT BE BOTHERED! THROW HIM INTO THE PIT!

BREAKING AWAY FROM HIS CAPTORS, TOMMY TYME REACHES THE SACRED CROWN IN A HEADLONG DIVE..

THE CROWN! HE KICKED IT OUT OF MY HAND!

YOU AIN'T THROWIN' ME INTA NO PIT! NOT ON YER TIN-TYPE!

I RECOVERED DA FUMBLE!

NOW I GOTTA BREAK AWAY FROM DIS TACKLER!

DEN I'LL SHOW DESE GUYS SOME FANCY OPEN FIELD RUNNIN'!

SEIZE HIM! HE MUST NOT ESCAPE WITH THE SACRED CROW

NAILED ME FROM BE-HIND! RIGHT ON DA ONE YARD LINE!

HEY! DA CROWN FELL IN DAT WELL!

THE BOTTOMLESS PIT! NOW IT WILL NEVER BE SEEN AGAIN!

IT'S THE BOYS FAULT! DEATH IS TOO GOOD FOR HIM! I'LL SKIN HIM ALIVE!

DEY GOT ME COR-NERED! ONLY ONE WAY OUT OF DIS!

I'LL TRY ME LUCK IN DE BOTTOMLESS PIT!

DOWN, DOWN THROUGH END-LESS SPACE FALLS TOMMY . . .

I AIN'T GOT A CHANCE! WHEN I HIT DE BOTTOM DERE WON'T BE ENOUGH OF ME LEFT TO SCRAPE UP WIT A SPOON!

THE CLOCK OF AGES RINGS, SUMMONING TOMMY BACK TO THE TWENTIETH CENTURY . . .

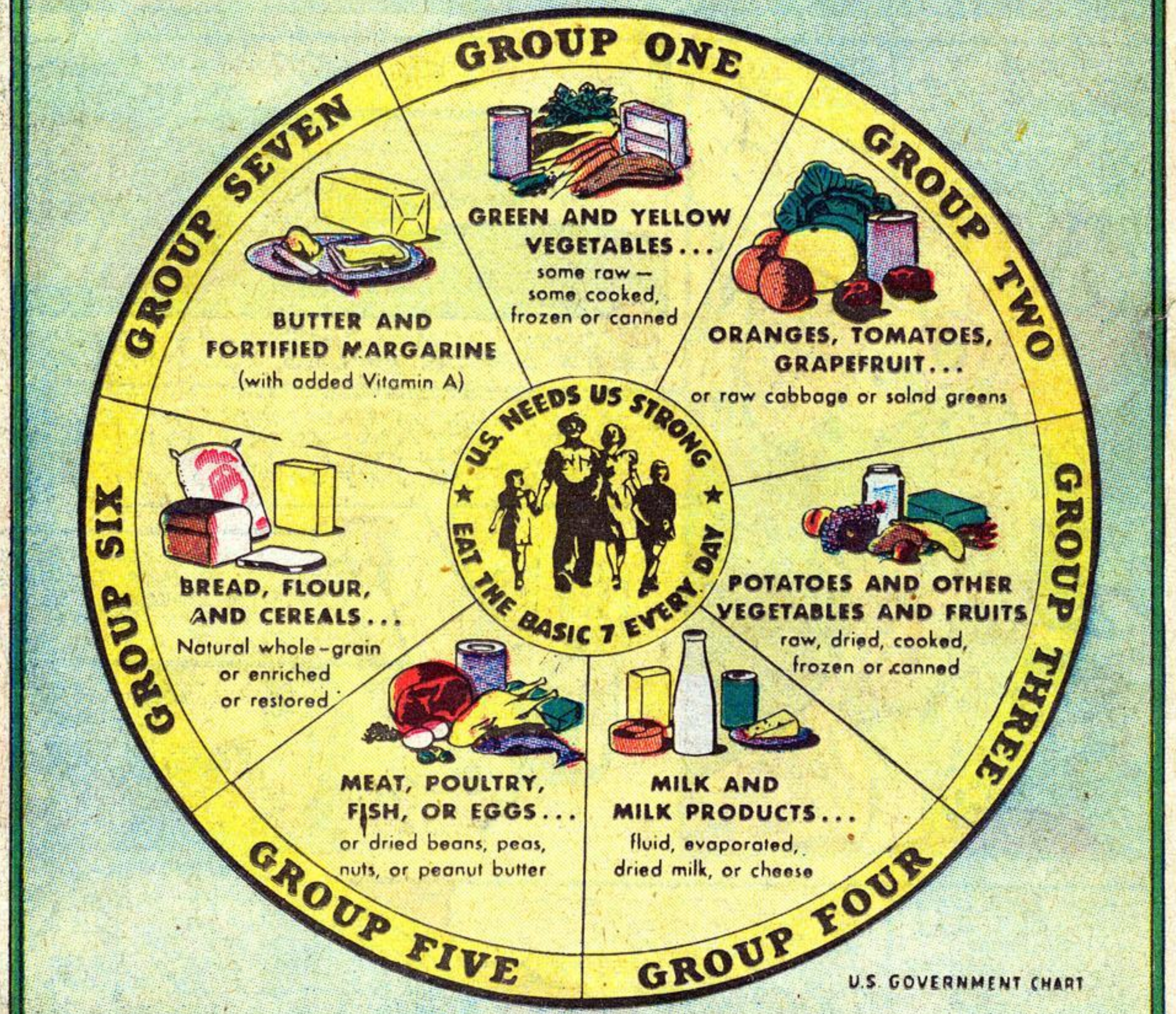
I'VE NEVER HEARD AN ANSWER GIVEN WITH SO MUCH REALISM BEFORE, THOMAS!

I'LL BET NOBODY IN DA WORLD TOOK SUCH CHANCES TO KEEP UP WITH HIS HISTORY LESSON!

BUT IT WAS WORTH ALL DE TROUBLE! SHE NOTICED ME! SHE CERTAINLY *IS* PURTY!

THE END.

For Health...eat some food from each group...every day!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GREEN AND YELLOW VEGETABLES...
some raw — some cooked, frozen or canned
GROUP TWO
ORANGES, TOMATOES, GRAPEFRUIT...
or raw cabbage or salad greens
GROUP THREE
POTATOES AND OTHER VEGETABLES AND FRUITS
raw, dried, cooked, frozen or canned
GROUP FOUR
MILK AND MILK PRODUCTS...
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GROUP FIVE
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or dried beans, peas, nuts, or peanut butter
GROUP SIX
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Natural whole-grain or enriched or restored
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The DESTROYER IN The ISLE of MYSTERIOUS DEATH!

SOMEWHERE NEAR TOKIO, A YANKEE PIG, THE DESTROYER, IS TRAPPED IN OKAIE INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT! SHOW NO MERCY! SHOOT HIM LIKE A MAD DOG!

MY LORD! IN THE EVENT OF CAPTURE, TO WHOM SHALL WE BRING THIS FILTH OF A DESTROYER?

TO ME, FOOL! AT MY HEADQUARTERS IN THE YUANIE ARSENAL!

ON THE OUTSKIRTS OF THE OKAIE INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT . .

THERE IS THE WHITE INFIDEL!

CITY'S CRAWLING WITH GUARDS! GOT TO FIND HAVEN!

SUDDENLY --

OH-OH! LOOKS LIKE I'M SURROUNDED! THIS'LL NEVER DO!

AHEAD, ANOTHER JAP PATROL SPRINGS FROM THE SHADOWS, BUT THE DESTROYER ----

THIS WAY FOR TROUBLE, NIPS!

AIE-EE!

DUCKING BACK INTO AN ALLEY DESTROYER LEANS PANTING AGAINST THE DOOR OF A MUD HOVEL . . .

TRAPPED! AND THIS IS ONE SPOT I CAN'T FIGHT MY WAY OUT OF! TOO MANY—WHAT'S THAT?

PSST-P-SSST! DESTROYER!

WHILE OUT-SIDE, THE TWO JAP PATROLS CONVERGE . .

HE WAS HERE BUT MOMENTS AGO HE CANNOT HAVE ESCAPED! DELAY YOUR MEN! HE MAYBE CRINGING IN THE SHADOWS!

A HAND, YELLOW AND WRINKLED, PLUCKS HIS SLEEVE AND DRAWS HIM INTO THE DIM INTERIOR OF THE HUT.

HOLA! DID THOU SEE THE PIG?

WHO ARE YOU? WHY DO YOU --?

THERE'S LITTLE TIME FOR SPEECH! COME, I MUST HIDE YOU QUICKLY!

THE ALLEY IS FEVERISHLY SEARCHED . .

WE FIND NOTHING, SIRE!

THE DOG WAS HERE! HE CANNOT HAVE MELTED INTO AIR!

TRUE WORDS! AH! I HAVE THE SOLUTION! HE HAS HIDDEN IN HERE!

BURSTING INTO THE HOVEL . .

COME OLD ONE! SPEAK UP! DID YOU NOT SEE AN AMERICAN DOG?

I AM OLD AND HALF BLIND! I SAW NOTHING, MY LORD!

COME! THERE IS NOTHING HERE!

BUT, AS THE PATROL LEAVES

YOU ARE SAFE! THE SPAWN OF SNAKE HAVE DEPARTED!

THANK YOU, GRAND MOTHER! TELL ME, WHY DID YOU HIDE ME? WHO ARE YOU?

I AM MOTHER TING! LEADER OF THE KORE, AN UNDERGROUND! THE JAPANESE CURS HAVE ENSLAVED MY COUNTRY FOR YEARS! NOW WE ARE STRIKING BACK!

THE LEGENDARY MOTHER TING! YOUR EXPLOITS ARE KNOWN THROUGHOUT THE WORLD! THERE ARE OTHERS LIKE YOU HERE?

MOTHER TING LEADS THE WAY THROUGH A NARROW DAMP PASSAGE WAY.

YOUR ARRIVAL IS TIMELY, DESTROYER! WE OF THE UNDERGROUND HAVE PLANNED A MIGHTY BLOW AGAINST THE ENEMY TONIGHT!

AYE! A SMALL GROUP, BUT A DETERMINED ONE! THEY WENT INTO HIDING AT THE FIRST SIGNS OF TROOPS! COME, I WILL TAKE YOU TO THEM!

GOOD! YOU CAN COUNT ME IN!

... AND INTO AN UNDER-GROUND CHAMBER WHERE HE IS INTRODUCED TO THE SMALL BAND...

I CARRY NEWS! THE DESTROYER IS WITH US!

EXCELLENT! WE CAN USE HIM!

WHAT ARE YOUR PLANS?

THE DESTRUCTION OF A STRONG NAVAL UNIT WHICH IS ANCHORED IN TOKIO HARBOR! WE PLAN TO RAM THEM WITH AN EXPLOSIVE PACKED SAMPAN! BUT THERE IS DIFFICULTY!

WHAT'S THAT? NOT ENOUGH EXPLOSIVES TO DO THE JOB!

EXACTLY! AND IT MUST BE DONE TO-NIGHT!

THEY'LL NEVER LEAVE THE HARBOR! LISTEN! THERE'S ENOUGH POWDER IN THE YUANIE ARSENAL TO BLOW THE WHOLE CITY OFF THE MAP!

AIE, BUT HOW TO REACH IT? GENERAL KOLIE HIMSELF, MAKES THAT HIS HEAD-QUARTERS IT IS HEAVILY GUARDED!

I HAVE A PLAN! TO-NIGHT, WHEN DARKNESS APPROACHES YOU'LL EQUIP YOUR BAND WITH JAP UNI-FORMS AND WEAPONS! THEN YOU WILL...

THAT NIGHT, OUTSIDE THE HEAVILY BARRED GATE OF THE YUANIE ARSENAL...

WHAT IS THIS?

MAY THE WRATH OF THE GODS DESCEND ON THY STUPID HEAD! OPEN! WE HAVE CAPTURED THE MIGHTY DESTROYER!

THE GATE IS HASTILY THROWN OPEN...

BY THE EMPERORS BEARD! OUR COMMANDER WILL BE MIGHTY PLEASED TO SEE THY TROPHY!

CLOSE THY GAPING MOUTH AND TAKE ME TO THE GENERAL! I KNOW NOT THE WAY!

ENROUTE TO THE GENERAL'S HEADQUARTERS, OTHER GUARDS SPY THE CAPTIVE DESTROYER AND OVERCOME BY CURIOSITY DESERT THEIR POSTS AND JOIN THE PROCESSION.....

IT'S WORKING BETTER THAN I HOPED! WE'VE DRAWN MOST OF THE GUARDS WITH US!

THE FOOLISH ONES WILL REGRET THEIR CURIOSITY! WE ARE READY TO ACT AT YOUR SIGNAL!

IN THE GENERAL'S OFFICE...

HONORABLE GENERAL! WE HAVE CAPTURED THE MIGHTY ONE!

EXCELLENT, CAPTAIN! YOU SHALL BE RE-WARDED... TAKE THE PIG TO---?

OKAY, LET 'EM HAVE IT!

WE HAVE BEEN TRICKED! THESE MEN ARE NOT JAPANESE!

GUNS ROAR AS THE DESTROYER'S FRIENDS OPEN FIRE....

GIVE IT TO 'EM, LIN.! WE DON'T HAVE MUCH TIME!

THE BATTLE IS SOON OVER, HOWEVER GENERAL KOLIE MANAGES TO ESCAPE---

THE POWDER MAGAZINE! HURRY!

SEVERAL MINUTES LATER, IN THE POWDER MAGAZINE....

WE CAN DESTROY THE WHOLE FLEET WITH THIS, DESTROYER!

THEN, HURRY! WE MUST BE OUT BEFORE REINFORCE-MENTS ARRIVE!

THE BAND ESCAPES, WHILE AT THE ARSENAL THE TWO OFFICERS WHO FAILED TO CAPTURE THE DESTROYER AT THE BAND'S HEADQUARTERS ARE HAULED ON THE CARPET.....

BUT SIRE! WE SEARCHED THE WOMAN'S HOUSE! THE DESTROYER WAS NOT THERE!

HOW THEN DO YOU ACCOUNT FOR HER SHOWING UP HERE WITH HIM! GO, AND DO NOT RETURN WITHOUT THE DESTROYER AND THE WOMAN!

WHILE AT THE UNDERGROUND HEAD-QUARTERS....

THE SAMPAN IS LOADED, DESTROYER!

GOOD LIN! IN ABOUT FIVE MINUTES, THE JAP NAVY IS GOING TO BE SHORT SEVERAL VALUABLE SHIPS!

MEANWHILE GENERAL KOLIE'S MEN VISIT MOTHER TING'S HOME...

THE GENERAL WAS RIGHT! DESTROYER WAS HIDDEN THERE! BEHOLD!

AYE! AND HE PROBABLY RETURNED HERE! COME....

THE JAP PATROL ARRIVES AT THE CHAMBER AND IMMEDIATELY OPENS FIRE....

SLAY THE TREACHEROUS DOGS!

HERE COMES TROUBLE!

DON'T, DESTROYER! THEY'LL KILL YOU!

THIS IS MY JOB, YOU HAVE YOURS! WRECK THE JAP SHIPS, ALL OF THEM! I'LL HOLD BACK THESE JAP MONKEYS!

DESTROYER DESPERATELY FIGHTS THE TERRIFIC ODDS....

HAND THIS TO YOUR ANCESTORS!

THAT DYNAMITE GIVES ME AN IDEA! WHY SHOULD I KNOCK THESE SNAKES OFF ONE BY ONE?

DYNAMITE

DESTROYER TOSSES THE BOX OF EXPLOSIVES AT THE JAP PATROL!

...WHEN I CAN KILL 'EM ALL AT ONCE!

DYNAMITE

AIE·E·E·E·E·E---

BOOM

MEANWHILE, MOTHER TING AND LIN YAN HAVE POINTED THEIR EXPLOSIVE PACKED SAMPAN AT THE WELL GUARDED JAP MUNITIONS SHIP AND JUMP TO SAFETY...

MUNITIONS SHIP

...THEN JOINING DESTROYER, WATCH THE NIPPONESE WARSHIPS VANISH BENEATH THE WAVES...

IT IS A WONDERFUL SIGHT, IS IT NOT, DESTROYER?

MORE THAN THAT, MOTHER TING, IT IS A SYMBOL OF HOW DIFFERENT RACES CAN JOIN IN A COMMON CAUSE, TO DEFEAT A COMMON ENEMY!

THE END

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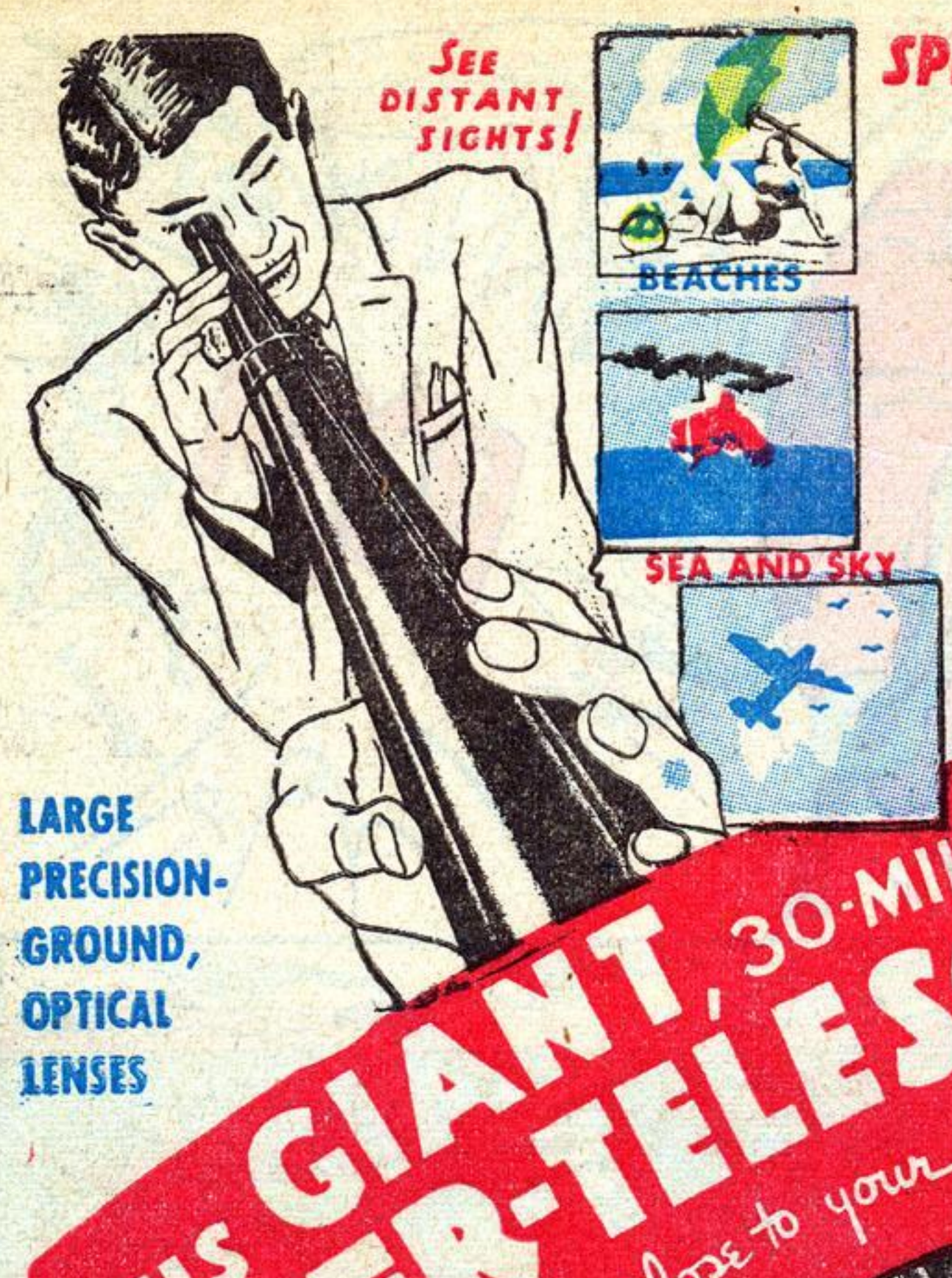

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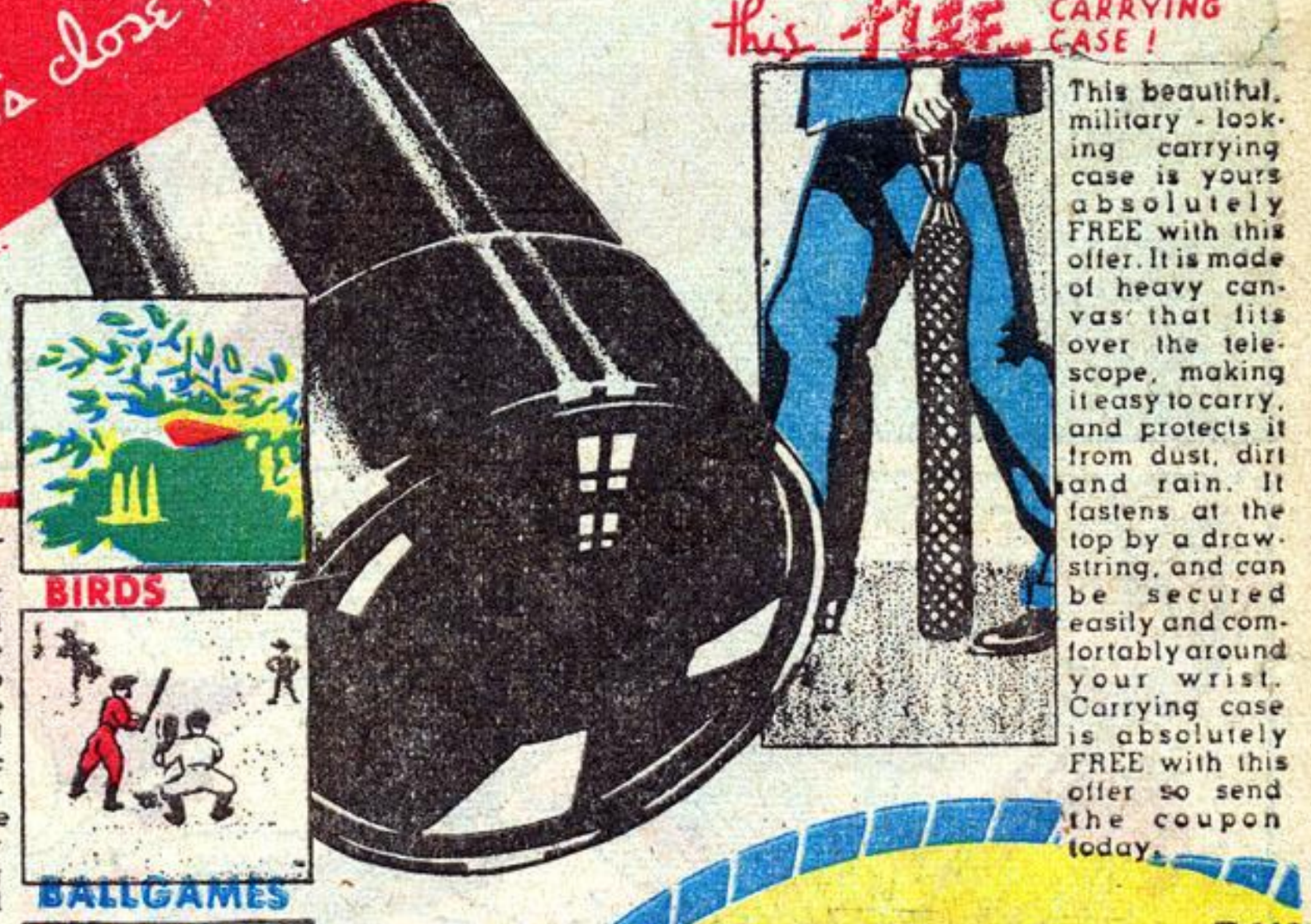

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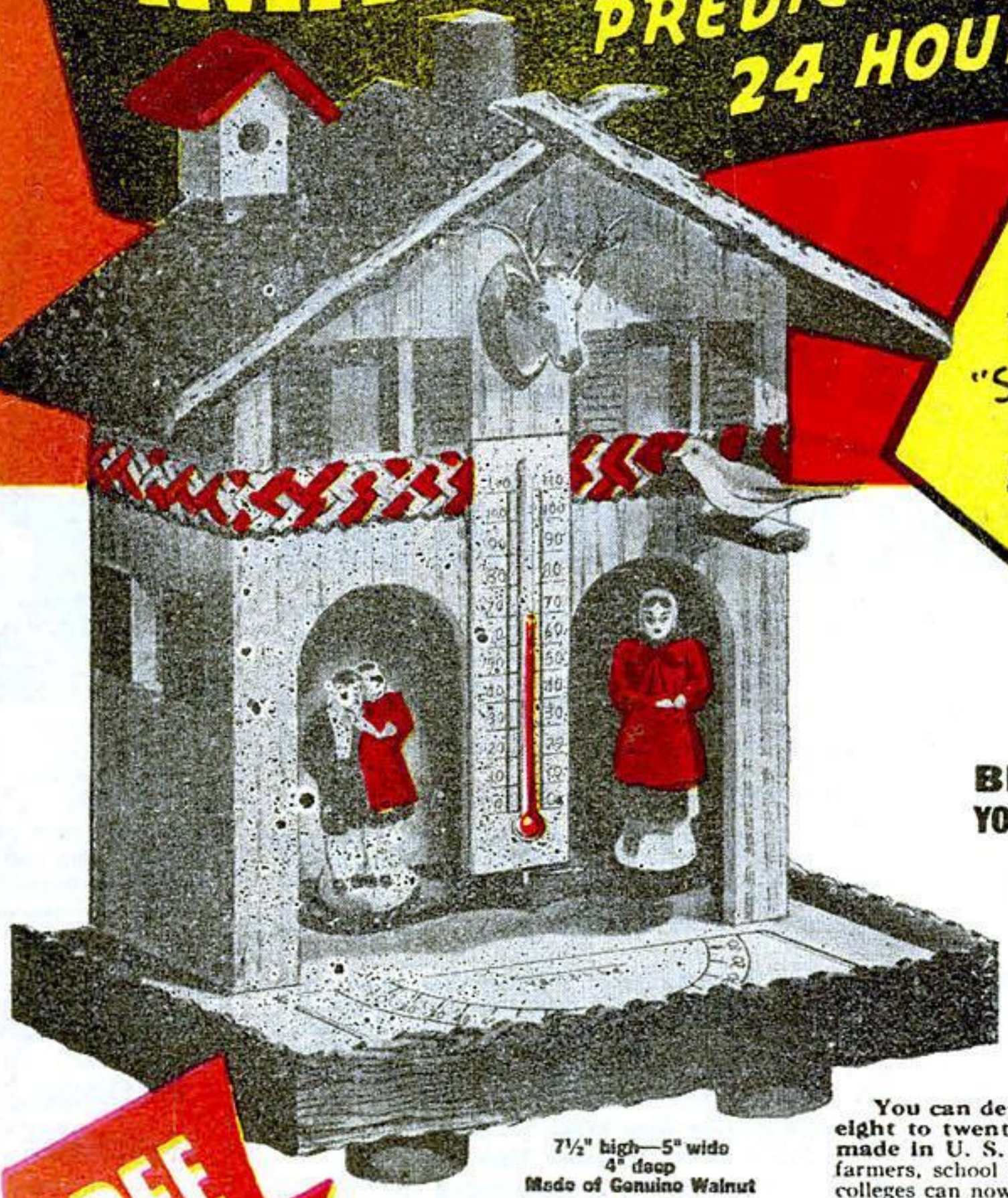

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